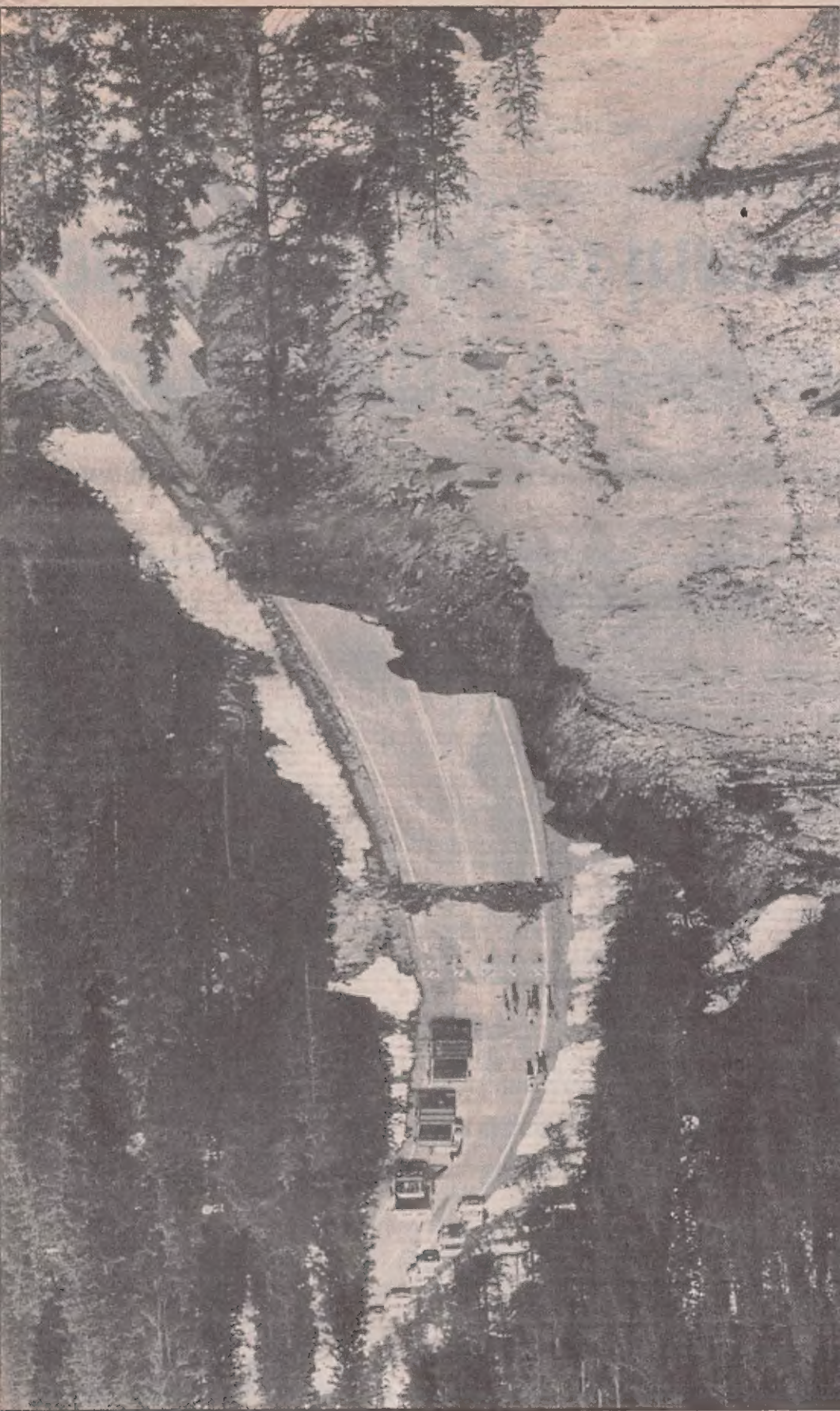


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PHOTOGRAPHY/PAUL BARKER  
-150, above, was undermined a mile below Provo River Bridge. Two sections of  
the highway and two sections of Trial Lake Road, circled on map, were washed out



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# Water bursts and destroys

## Campers stranded as torrents carve new river channels

**By Brent Israelsen**  
Deseret News staff writer

**KAMAS, Summit County** — A 6-foot wall of water burst from a 50-foot wide break in Trial Lake's east side dike and destroyed four sections of road early Saturday, stranding more than a dozen campers and leaving tons of muddy debris in its path.

The dike on the snow-covered lake, 25 miles east of Kamas in the Uinta Mountains, gave way about 2 a.m.

Icy water rushed more than a yard above the upper Provo River's flood level, and the torrent washed out two sections of the Trial Lake road and two sections of U-150, which connects Kamas with Evanston, Wyo.

Pieces of road lay strewn like shattered glass near the washed out road.

The Murdock Basin Bridge was destroyed, and the Provo River Bridge was clogged by debris, forcing floodwaters to carve a new channel around it.

Several other sections of road sustained minor damage.

A few miles downstream, a few parties of campers were stranded by the high water, said Dan Symmes, recreation supervisor for the Wasatch-Cache National Forest. No injuries were reported, however.

One man in the Shady Dell Campground was able to escape unaided shortly after the flood hit. Another couple, whose pickup truck and tent trailer had to be abandoned in the mud, couldn't get out until late in the morning when the floodwaters finally receded.

"They were lucky. If it had been a bigger wall of water, they probably wouldn't have made it," Symmes said.

Further downstream, it took crews until 3 p.m. to

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# Journalists for hundreds Their accounts of life

**By Wendy Zentz**  
United Press International

**WOODY EARGLE** can't help but take his work home with him. He lives, eats and sleeps with the people he writes about.

Eargle edits the monthly newspaper at Tennessee State Penitentiary, walking a fine line between what the administration will allow him to write and what the inmates



# Trial Lake dike break is blamed on weather

**By Scott D. Pierce** 6-9-86

Deseret News staff writer

The cause of the Trial Lake dike burst Saturday, which inundated parts of the Wasatch-Cache National Forest, was wet weather and high water, but other dikes in the forest appear solid, officials said.

"Basically, we feel at this point that the cause of the break was the saturation of the dike," said Dan Symmes, recreation supervisor for the forest. "All the water we've gotten in the past few years has kept the water in the lake up and kept that area of the dike wet. It just built up enough to break through."

A 50-foot section of the dike on the lake's east side gave way about 2 a.m. Saturday, releasing a 6-foot wall of water that washed out two sections of the Trial Lake road and two sections of U-150. The flash flood also stranded dozens of campers.

"We didn't get the last of them out until about 2:30 Sunday afternoon," Symmes said. "We still had about 25 to 30 people stranded up there, but fortunately no one was hurt."

Officials from the Forest Service and the state engineer's office surveyed the scene Sunday, but they didn't get much cooperation from the weather. The investigators were forced back when thunderstorms made it impossible for helicopters to fly in the area.

"The people that did get up there had a chance to look over the area," Symmes said. "We wanted to make sure other lakes are safe and are not going to do something similar. The reports are that everything is in good shape. There don't appear to be any other danger areas."

U-150 just above the Soapstone junction, about 12 miles east of Kamas, has been closed to repair damage from the flooding. "There are log jams on the bridge just above the Soapstone junction," Symmes said. "It doesn't look too bad, but the water is undercutting the road, and it just isn't safe."

There are still no firm estimates of the cost of the disaster, Symmes said, although the cleanup cost will probably run into the hundreds of thousands of dollars.

"We really haven't gotten into the cost of repairs yet. We should have a better idea early this week."

Despite the disaster, much of the forest is still open to campers.

"There are still areas that are quite usable," Symmes said. "We have a number of people in the Beaver Lake area — including some who were stranded in other areas when the dike broke."

Christopher Dewey perform Heimlich

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at least one hour a week since March 6 to the more than 130 first-graders at Stans. First aid is, what telephone number to call in an emergency and how to get emergency help. They also learned to detect signs in a victim of breathing problems, choking, bleeding, shock, fractures, burns and poisonings.

In addition, the students have learned about fire prevention, how to behave in a house or school fire, swimming pool safety and other first-aid skills. Some of the most important aspects of the program have been learning the Heimlich maneuver to help a choking victim, how to open an airway for someone who is not breathing and how to administer

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ned," Stream said Monday. The canoe, carrying Johnson and three Scouts, rounded a bend in the river where the water seemed placid. Stream said a spot of bad water may have been encountered.

"We're not exactly sure what happened," Stream said. The canoe went over and the three Scouts floated downriver. Meanwhile, the raft, which carried six boys and a Scoutmaster, had pulled to the side of the river to await the canoe.

The rafters recovered the canoe when it floated up empty, then found the boys and pulled them out of the river. They were in good condition.

## Investigators seek id ... killed in fiery

LE — Investigators with the Salt Lake County Sheriff's Department are attempting to identify the driver of a pickup truck involved in a fiery crash following a high-speed chase on I-15 early Sunday.

The driver was in a pickup truck involved in a fiery crash following a high-speed chase on I-15 early Sunday.

The sheriff's department is investigating the incident as northbound on I-15 near the 100 miles per hour speed limit. The truck rolled into the median and into the southbound lanes.

The truck rolled when it hit the median, according to deputy sheriff. The truck caught fire when it hit the median and as it skidded across the road, its cab.

The bodies of the driver and passenger were badly burned, making identification difficult, the sheriff's department said. The driver's identity was not reported and possible suspects were not named by the Utah State Marshal's Office by Monday.

According to the department, the pursuit began on I-15 in Salt Lake City at about 10 a.m. Sunday when a trooper saw the truck being chased.

The trooper tried to pull the truck over to check for a violation, but the driver continued for about 13 miles. The truck rolled over in 10 to 11 minutes and burst into flames, according to the UHP.

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Los Angeles (UPI) — A Utah family on a California vacation was killed when two teenage girls and seven other people died in a weekend crash on the Santa Clarita

Kristin Romano was taken to a Newhall hospital a short time later. She, 10, was in serious condition at a hospital 35 miles north of Los Angeles.

...sky, Brigham City, was driving along the winding road about 6 p.m. when his car was struck

A 17-year-old boy and a 16-year-old boy, apparently with the Utah family, suffered serious injuries in the crash. They were taken to the Newhall hospital and his wife, who was not injured.